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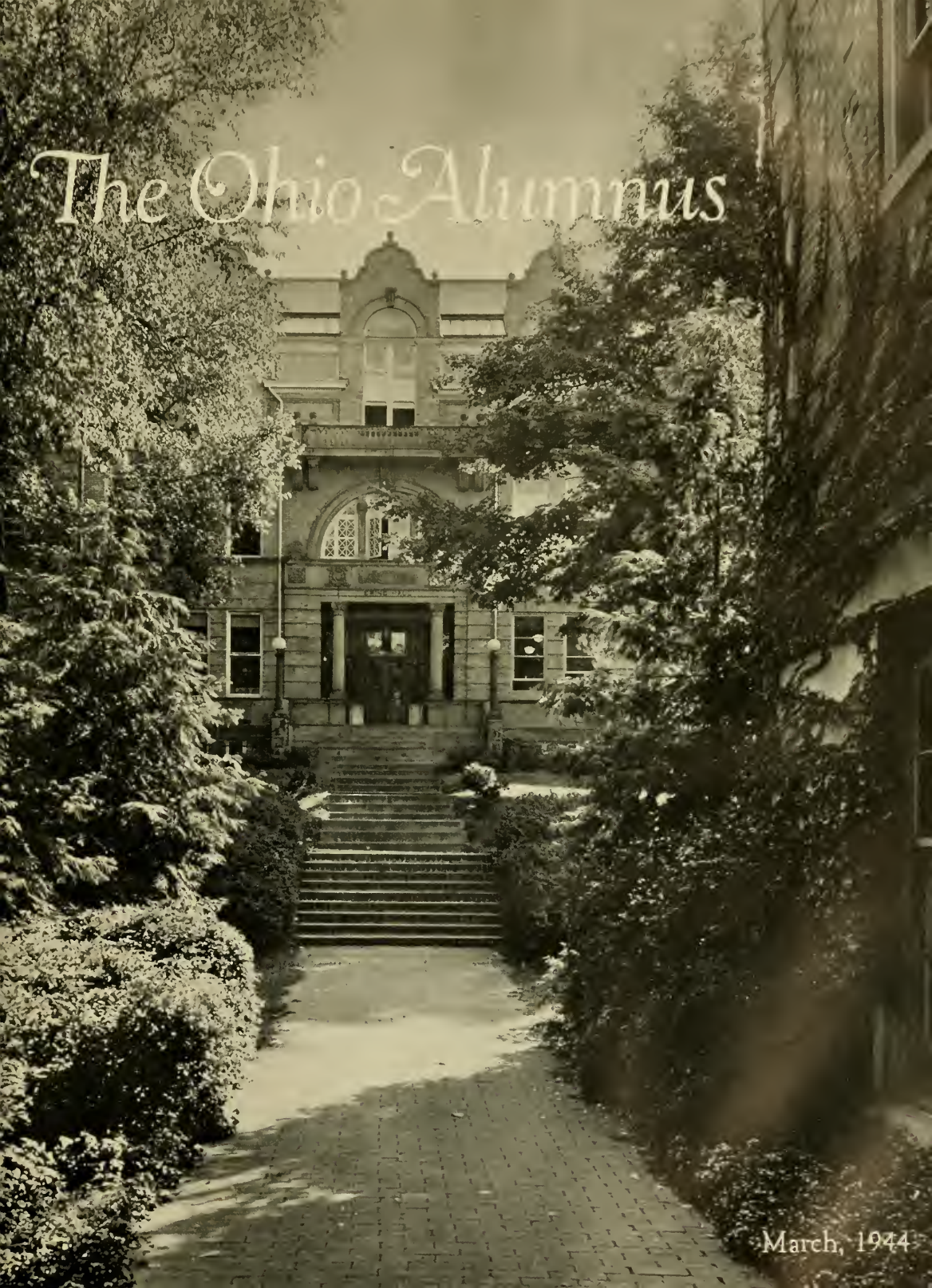
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Service Roster Passes Four Thousand Mark As University Makes Plans for Postwar Program

OHIO UNIVERSITY grows increasingly proud of its more than 4,200 alumni currently serving in the armed forces and of the contribution they are making to the cause of freedom and justice in the world. To match the service of these representa-



Lieut. Charles T. Wellbrook, U.S.A.

tives on the fighting fronts it is striving to meet the extraordinary demands of the war situation as well as the normal educational needs of the day.

Continuing in the present war its established tradition of home front service to the nation, Ohio University became one of the first schools in the country to adopt an accelerated program and to organize special war-training courses. It has given preliminary training to both Army and Navy aviation cadets, has directed E.M. S.W.T. courses in a three-state territory, has operated mechanics and vocational training schools, was the first school in the United States to receive a charter for a college unit of the American Red Cross, and has trained hundreds of young men for active duty in the Army in its R.O.T.C. and A.S.T.P. units.

The university recently has been approved for a unit of the Army Student Training Reserve Program and has been assigned a quota. The first training cycle will open on April 10.

Since it is expected that a large number of men and women who interrupted their educations for service with the armed forces will want to resume their educational programs upon the conclusion of hostilities, Ohio University is making definite plans in their interest.

A postwar planning committee has been at work for many months studying courses, curricula, degree requirements, and short-term practical programs of study. Plans are also under way for the construction of new buildings and the rehabilitation of old ones. In addition, upon invitation, the university has offered its facilities to the Veterans Administration for a regional headquarters on the campus for the counseling and advising of veterans with service disabilities.

Administrative officers and faculty aim to provide, at the close of the war, educational programs suited to the needs and interests of returning soldiers as well as of recent high school graduates.

While these plans are being developed, however, much is happening out in the field. In the following paragraphs will be found a fragmentary but typical report of this activity.



Lieut. Eugene L. Rosner, U.S.A.

Lieut. Charles T. Wellbrook, '42x (see picture), Louisville, Ky., formerly of Chillicothe, an A.A.F. bomber pilot, was killed Aug. 16, 1943, when his ship crashed in the mountains while on a night mission near Garnet, Calif. The eight other members of



Capt. Franklin P. Miller, U.S.A.

the crew, which was stationed at Blythe Field, also lost their lives. Lieutenant Wellbrook was married just a year ago to Virginia O'Leary, of Chillicothe, who was living with him at Palm Springs, Calif., about 15 miles from the scene of the crash.

Almost, but not wholly, devoid of hope and comfort is the War Department's notice that after twelve months during which no word has been received concerning a man previously reported as missing, that man is presumed to be dead. Such a message has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Edwin E. Miller, Cleveland, relative to their son, Capt. Franklin P. Miller, '39x (see picture), an Army pilot who has been missing in action over Africa since Jan. 21, 1943. The posthumous award of a Purple Heart has been made to Captain Miller's widow, the former Sara Elizabeth Chambers of San Antonio, Texas.

To add to the grief of these brave but distressed parents, there came, within only a few days of the first communication, another War De-



Lieut. and Mrs. Robert W. Schlenker

partment telegram reporting that a second son, Second Lieut. Melvin E. Miller, '40, a navigator on a bomber, has been missing in action in the Central Pacific since Jan. 28, 1944. No further word has been received. Lieutenant Miller was at the midway point in his work in the Western Reserve University Law School when he enlisted in the Army Air Force early in 1943. The father is the head of a prominent law firm, while Mrs. Miller is chaplain of the Blue Star Mother's Club of Greater Cleveland. A third son, Second Lieut. Charles E. Miller, '42x, is a B-17 bomber instructor at Hendrix Field, Fla.

Another Ohioan previously listed as missing in action, has been reclassified by the War Department as dead following the receipt of "certain evidence," the nature of which was not revealed to the family. This man is First Lieut. Eugene L. Rosner, '42x (see picture), Los Angeles, Calif., formerly of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., for two years a pilot officer with the Royal Canadian Air Force, who is now regarded as killed in action on July 8, 1943, while piloting a heavy bomber over Germany. He had been transferred to the U.S. Army Air Forces just a week before his last mission. Reports gathered from the

families of the seven R.A.F. sergeants who were members of Gene's crew indicate that two of the sergeants were buried in France, and that another, after getting a message out of France, was apprehended by the Gestapo and is now in a German prison camp. None of the others has been heard from.

First Lieut. James B. Clark, '41 (see picture on page 4), was officially declared a death casualty on Mar. 4, 1944, after being missing over St. Nazaire, France, for the past 14 months. Lieutenant Clark was at the controls of a Flying Fortress when last seen. A posthumous award of the Purple Heart has been made to him. A brother, Charles S. Clark, Jr., SC 1/c, is serving aboard one of the Navy's LST (landing ship, tanks) boats overseas.

Second Lieut. Walker Gage, '41x, Stockport, was killed Mar. 11, 1944, when a Flying Fortress of which he was a crew member crashed into a hangar at the Presque Isle Army Air Base, Presque Isle, Me. The nine other members of the crew were injured.

Aviation Cadet Walter S. Fufts, '45x, Washington, C. H., was killed in the crash of a training plane near Aloe Army Air Field, Victoria, Texas, Mar. 20, 1944. Cadet Fufts had completed his preliminary training and was to receive his wings in three weeks. His father was an observer in the Army Air Corps in World War I.

Just received is word of the death of Corp. John W. Eizonas, '44x, Youngstown, who was drowned May 11, 1943, near Camp Gruber, Okla. Corporal Eizonas was drowned when a boat capsized, while he was engaged in evacuating victims of last spring's record-breaking midwest floods.

Another report recently received is that of the death of Pvt. Robert L. Eachus, '41x, Knightstown, Ind., in a Japanese prison camp June 11, 1943. Private Eachus, of the Army Air Force, was stationed at Clark Field near Manila when the Japanese first struck in the Philippines. Later, he fought on Bataan and was imprisoned when the Japanese forced the surrender of American troops on that stoutly-defended peninsula.

Still other reports which have been late in coming to the editor's desk are those concerning Pvt. Arthur F. Dwyer, '41x, West Hartford, Conn.; Corp. Edwin B. McNaughton, Jr., '44x, Gibsonia, Pa.; and Aviation Cadet William G. Knepper, '44x, Salem.

Private Dwyer died at Camp Shelby, Miss., Apr. 9, 1942, after a brief illness. Corporal McNaughton, of the Army Air Forces, was killed in action over Medang, New Guinea, on July 20, 1943. Cadet Knepper died Apr. 2, 1943, at the Navy's Pre-Flight School at the University of Iowa.

To brighten the somber tones of this month's war picture, the editor records the marriages of two Army men, Lieut. Robert W. Schlenker, '44x, Lakewood, and First Lieut. John A. Lockard, '41x, Akron. The first of these happy events occurred on Feb. 12, 1944, when Lieutenant Schlenker exchanged marriage vows with Johanna M. Gockel, '45x (see picture), Willoughby. The bridegroom is now attending the Army's advanced flying school at Altus, Okla. The fathers of both of the high contracting parties are Army men serving in foreign posts; Major Gockel, in Hawaii, and Captain Schlenker, in Alaska.

On Mar. 4, 1944, Lieutenant Lockard claimed as his bride Bettinell Blankner, '42 (see picture), Lakewood. Mrs. Lockard was a varsity debater and a member of Phoenix in her campus days. Her husband, now an aide to Brig. Gen. N. C. Johnson at Camp Gruber, Okla., has had two



Lieut. and Mrs. John A. Lockard

years of overseas service and arrived by Clipper plane from the South Pacific only a few days before the wedding ceremony.

Nine Ohioans have been reported as missing in action since the publication of the last *Alumnus*, two for the second time.

Flight Officer Vance E. Cross, '44x, a reconnaissance flier in the Royal Canadian Air Force, was shot down



Dean Lange and Lieut. Ayus Isarasena

on Jan. 10, 1944, by three Japanese fighter planes and was lost for some time in a Burmese jungle. Eventually, he made his way back to his station in India. Again, however, his parents in Athens have received a message from the R.C.A.F., this time stating that Flight Officer Cross is missing after the air operations of March 23. It is to be hoped that his luck will hold and that he will again be able to return to base.

Information concerning Tech. Sgt. Arthur M. Leadingham, '43x, Sciotoville, has come from the missing flier's father. Sergeant Leadingham, a flight engineer on a Liberator bomber of the 9th Air Force, served in the Mediterranean area for two years and has twice been reported missing; the first time, Aug. 1, 1943, over the famous Ploesti oil fields in Rumania. Three months later, however, he returned to his combat unit with which he served until Dec. 28, 1943, when his plane was shot down over Northern Italy. Some of the members of the crew were seen parachuting to earth, but no word of their fate has as yet come from enemy sources.

Sergeant Leadingham holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal.

Lieut. William Coatoam, '44x, Cleveland, former Lincoln High School football captain and a fighter pilot credited with more than fifty missions against the Japs over China, is missing in action according to a War Department telegram received by his wife. He failed to return to his base after a combat mission on Feb. 25, 1944. One day last October, Lief Mapleton, a columnist for the *Cleveland News*, gave his entire space to relating how, at Lieutenant Coatoam's direction, Cleveland friends had arranged an evening's entertainment for his wife, Judy, to mark their first wedding anniversary. When clippings of the column reached the A.A.F. pilot in China, he wrote back that he went out the next morning and sank a Jap gunboat for Lief.

Lieut. Jack H. Fournier, '41x, Lakewood, a B-17 pilot, has been missing in action over Germany since Feb. 25, 1944. He had been based in England since last October, and his last letter to home folks told of a visit to London.

Flight Officer Charles E. LeComte, '43x, Fostoria, pilot of "The Skipper," a B-26 medium bomber last based in Sardinia, has been missing in action over Italy since Jan. 22, 1944. Flight Officer LeComte, holding a rank comparable to that of a warrant officer in the Army, served six months in Panama and then, after a period of advanced training in the States, flew his ship to the Mediterranean

area where he participated at once in the Italian invasion. He had 25 bomb raids to his credit. Two brothers of the missing flier are also in the Army Air Forces. "Chuck" LeComte played the leading role in "The Count of Monte Cristo," a University Theater production staged shortly before he left the campus for war service.

Second Lieut. Robert F. Kearns, '45x, East Hartford, Conn., a pilot in



Lieut. James B. Clark, U.S.A.

the Indo-China Wing of the Army Transport Command, has been missing in action since Jan. 31, 1944. No further details are known.

Also lacking in details is the report that Leroy Groh, '41x, Wheelersburg, has been missing since the fall of the Fortress of Corregidor in the Philippines early in 1942.

Staff Sgt. Frederic E. Webb, '40x, Athens, a radio operator on a Flying Fortress, after having been missing in action over Germany for a month—since February 22—has been reported through the International Red Cross to be a prisoner of the Germans. He had been overseas only two and one-half weeks when he became a war casualty. Sergeant Webb is the husband of the former Jean Morton, '36, daughter of Dr. R. L. Morton, '13, of the Ohio University faculty, and Mrs. Morton (Jean Adams, '14). Mrs. Webb is teaching in the high school at Crooksville.

Sgt. Peter DeSanto, '40x, Cleveland, reported to be missing in action in the European area since Sept. 27, 1943, is now known to be a German prisoner.

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John W. Galbreath Is Director Of Bricker-For-President Drive

John W. Galbreath, '20, Columbus realtor, Ohio University trustee, and past president of the Ohio University Alumni Association, is campaign manager and treasurer for his close friend, Governor John W. Bricker, who, as is now well known, aspires to serve the nation in its topmost executive office.

Coming from the same home town,



John W. Galbreath

Mt. Sterling, the governor and his manager have known each other "always," and they have been together on many of the speaking trips that the Ohio governor has made in recent weeks.

Although relatively young, Mr. Galbreath has achieved remarkable success in the field of business. In January of this year he was installed as president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards at the organization's meeting in Chicago. In this office, he directs the activities of more than 17,000 realtors.

The John W. Galbreath Co., headed by Mr. Galbreath, has operated in Columbus for the past twenty years, and has extensive interests in other cities. In 1941, the firm purchased the entire town of McDonald, Ohio, including the utilities, shops, and several hundred homes. To these properties were added a considerable number of housing units to supply the needs of war workers.

Other residential communities, totaling several thousand homes, have been purchased by the Galbreath Co.

in Wilmerding, Pa.; Donora, Pa.; Youngstown, Ohio, and Duluth, Minn.

In addition, the Galbreath Co. owns large industrial plants in Joliet, Ill.; Cleveland; Worcester, Mass.; and other cities. The Worcester plant covers 50 acres and is one of the finest of its kind in the country.

As trustee of Ohio University, chairman of the defense housing committee for both the Columbus Chamber of Commerce and the Ohio association and as a member of the state board of agriculture, Mr. Galbreath has long been an outstanding figure in the civic and educational activities of his native state.

President and University College Dean To Visit Chapter Groups

Dr. Einar A. Hansen, dean of University College, will be the guest of members of the Pittsburgh alumni chapter at an annual dinner to be held Friday evening, April 14, at the Roosevelt Hotel.

On Friday evening, May 5, President W. S. Gamertsfelder will be the guest of the Ohio University Women's Club of Cleveland at a dinner to be held at the College Club on East Ninety-third Street.

On the following evening, May 6, President Gamertsfelder will be the speaker at the annual Guest Day Dinner of the Ohio University Women's Club of Youngstown.

The Cleveland women held a luncheon meeting in the Higbee Lounge on January 29, with Sara E. Henderson, '32, as the presiding officer. Following the reading of the names of Ohio University men from the Cleveland area serving in the armed forces, the club members honored them with a few moments of silent prayer. After the luncheon and business meeting, Mrs. Richard C. Shaw reviewed six books written by Della T. Lutes since 1936.

The February meeting of the Ohio University Women's Club of Akron was in the nature of a dessert bridge held at the home of Mrs. F. R. Wilcox in Cuyahoga Falls. In the business session, presided over by Mrs. E. A. Roberts (Gyneth Bryan, '23), cash gifts were voted to both the U.S.O. and the American Red Cross. Yearbooks were also distributed at this time. Mrs. William Denton gave a review of Gwen Bristow's book, "Tomorrow is Forever," before the group turned to the playing of bridge.

Ohio U. Women Respond to Call for Service on Home and Foreign Fronts

Harriett Gleason, '30, A.M. '39, Van Wert, with the American Red Cross in India, has been transferred from the hospital of her original assignment to the 30th Station Hospital where she is setting up a recreation program. Miss Gleason was greatly surprised—and pleased—during the Christmas holidays to meet Dr. Florence Justin, in Calcutta. Miss



Harriett Gleason, A.R.C.

Justin, professor of home economics, is on leave from Ohio University for Red Cross work.

Red Cross Worker Jean McNeill, '38, daughter of Col. Thomas F. McNeill, former ROTC commandant at Ohio University, was described in a news dispatch published on March 8 as "just about the most popular girl around the Anzio-Nelturno beach head below Rome." In the accompanying picture she was shown distributing American newspapers and magazines to the boys who were back from the nearby fighting front.

Petty Officer 3/c Alice Mechem, '43, Nelsonville, of the WAVES is showing the Navy's fliers a thing or two. Having completed the basic training course at Hunter College and a two months' gunnery course at Pensacola, Fla., she is now giving primary machine gun training to embryo fighter pilots at an East Coast station. The instruction is given with the aid of a synthetic training device, not an actual aircraft machine gun.

On and About the Campus . . .

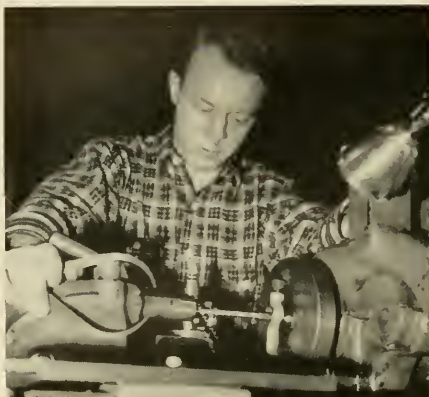
MEMBERS OF THE Ohio University chapter of Phi Delta Theta celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the chapter with a banquet at Hotel Berry on March 26. Coincident with the celebration was the observance of Founders' Day of the national fraternity, which came into being at Miami University in March, 1848. While organization of the Ohio University group followed soon after that at Miami, the local chapter became inactive during the Civil War and was not reorganized until 1868, at which time it was given the chapter name of Ohio Gamma. Activity since that time has been continuous, and, in spite of present war conditions, the chapter has maintained its house at 10 West Mulberry Street, and has a current membership of seventeen men. Charles W. Reamer, Jr., '33, Athens, has been chapter adviser since 1940. An alumni group of more than thirty Athens residents is headed by Dr. Blaine R. Goldsberry, '14. Local members of the chapter whose affiliations antedate 1900 are: Dr. J. M. Higgins, '84x; Dean Emeritus A. A. Atkinson, '91; Frank H. Super, '95; and Charles G. O'Brien, '98. Dr. Higgins was initiated in 1884. Approximately 200 members of Ohio Gamma chapter are at present serving in the armed forces.

OHIO UNIVERSITY students and faculty members will lose an hour's sleep on Friday night, March 31, when clocks are to be turned ahead an hour. The university and the city have been operating on "Central War Time" during the past winter.

THE TALENT selection committee for the Community Concert series of 1944-45 have announced that the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra will be heard as one of the numbers for the coming year. A two-piano team, Virginia Morley and Livingston Gearhart, has also been chosen by the committee, as has Jean Watson, a young soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company. Because Ohio University makes a contribution to the annual budget of the concert series, students are eligible to purchase season tickets for \$1.00.

All concerts are held in the Alumni Memorial Auditorium.

TYPICAL OF THE interest that is expected to be shown by many war veterans upon their return to the campus at the conclusion of hostilities is the activity portrayed in the accompanying picture. The young man at the lathe is William C. Schwitz-



William C. Schwitzgebel

gebel, Canton, a senior in the College of Applied Science who is seeking the degree of Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering. Before coming to the campus, Bill had had experience as a machine operator for the Timken Roller Bearing Company in his home town, and as a shop man for the Hoover Company (vacuum sweepers) in nearby North Canton. An all-round student he is a member of the Ohio University Band and the Symphony Orchestra, and a campus dance band. He has been elected to Phi Mu Alpha, an honorary music fraternity, and to the O.U. Engineers, an engineering society. He is also a member of the Y.M.C.A. Senate. His father is a commercial artist.

WITH THE CHANGES in the Selective Service Act lowering the age limit for military service to 18 years, Ohio University adapted its special study programs. In place of these curricula previously offered with a view to being helpful to prospective soldiers, others have been arranged to care for the present and postwar

needs. The university continues to cooperate with the United States Office of Education in these matters, and will coordinate its work closely with such agencies as the Armed Forces Committee on Postwar Educational Opportunities for Service Personnel. Special one and two-year emergency and postwar curricula will be offered in the following fields: (One-Year)

Accounting, Agriculture, Clerical Training, Graphic Arts, Home Economics, and Metalworking. (Two-Year) Accounting, Aerial Photogrammetry, Agriculture, Chemistry, Clerical Training, Conservation of Plant Resources, Dramatic Art, Electrical Engineering, Finance, Graphic Arts, Home Economics, Metalworking, Meteorology, Music, Personnel Management, Physics, Plant Pathology, Pre-medical, Production Control and Supervision, Public Service, Radio and Electronics, Recreation, Retail Selling, Secretarial Studies, Sociology, Speech Correction, and Woodworking.

STRESSING religion in music, painting, dramatic art, and allied arts, Fine Arts Week at Ohio University was observed

March 22-26. The week's program included an exhibition of religious paintings in the gallery of the Edwin Watts Chubb Library; a series of lectures and discussions by Dr. H. A. Ehrensperger, a recognized authority on drama as it is related to religion and the church; the singing of Sir John Stainer's cantata, "The Crucifixion," by the University Chorus; and the production of a drama, "Family Portrait," by the University Theater. "Family Portrait," the theater's major production of the year, is a modern version of the life of the family of Jesus.

AN EXHIBIT of 20 watercolors by Edna M. Way, professor of space arts at Ohio University, opened March 20 at the Argent Galleries in New York City, and will run until April 1.

AS FORECAST last month, the cadets of the local A.S.T.P. unit are to be "returned to troops" on or before April 1. Orders for the completion of academic work, the grading

of papers, and the checking in of equipment, rather definitely indicate that there will be an early dissolution of the military unit. War Department plans for the training of 17-year-olds are being developed, however, and Ohio University has asked for a quota of these youths to take up work at the beginning of the proposed training cycle on April 10. It seems altogether likely that some of these boys will be assigned to the campus in a new Army Student Training Reserve, but whether in the numbers hoped for by the university remains to be seen. Ohio University, with other colleges and high schools throughout the country, made its facilities available to the youngsters for the taking of the A-12 and V-12 qualifying examinations on March 15. The examinations were open only to young men who have graduated or will graduate from high school by July 1, 1944, and who have reached their 17th birthday, but who are not yet 17 years and 9 months old. The new joint Army-Navy program was designed to replace in the colleges some of the loss which will result from curtailment of the present A.S.T. Program. Some 100,000 or more cadets are expected to be withdrawn from the country's campuses.

"PERSONAL FAITH" was the theme for the spring Y.W.C.A. conference held on the Ohio University campus March 21 and 22. Representatives from Ohio State, Ohio Wesleyan, Denison, Miami, Wilberforce, Wittenberg, Cincinnati, and Muskingum were present. Dr. Merrimon Cunningham, of Denison University, and Dr. Harold A. Ehrensperger, editor of *Motive*, a religious magazine, were the principal speakers. Estelle Hogrefe, Ambridge, Pa., president of Ohio University's Y.W.C.A., was elected chairman of the Southern Ohio area and will be in charge of the next conference.

SOME COEDS on Lindley Hall's third floor, possessed, perhaps, with a pre-Easter spirit and a motherly instinct, bought some baby chicks and tended them carefully. The grooming of the biddies included painted toenails.

IN THE ANNUAL spring elections of Phi Beta Kappa, national scholastic honor society, the following were honored: Ruth Hammerle, Athens;

Leodine Jackson, Cleveland; Bessie Cheyftz, Cleveland; Ruth Alice Driscoll, Dayton; and JoAnn Belle Naugle, Bellefontaine. All are seniors. Initiation ceremonies will be held on April 11.

MISS MARGARET L. OSGOOD (see picture), assistant dean of women at Ohio University for the last six years, has been named director of social activities at Temple University, Philadelphia, and will begin her duties on April 1. Dr. Robert Livingston Johnson, Temple president, has an-



Margaret L. Osgood

nounced that Miss Osgood would hold a position comparable to that of dean of women, but that her duties would also include social guidance, "a very important factor in the development of college students for the post-war period." For five years Miss Osgood was head of Lindley Hall in addition to being a member of the staff of Dean of Women Irma E. Voigt. During the past year, to help meet the demand for instructors in the A.S.T. Program, Miss Osgood gave full time to the teaching of mathematics. Looking askance at first at a woman teacher, the cadets soon came to regard her highly as an instructor—and more. Many were the "extra-curricular" problems that were brought to her desk for solution or a sympathetic hearing. Miss Osgood was popular with the students of the campus, both men and women, and with the members of the faculty. Her friends wish her success and pleasure in her new responsibilities.

APPROXIMATELY 300 couples attended the U.S.O. dance given for the cadets of the A.S.T.P. unit at the Men's Gym from 9 to 1 o'clock on March 18. The dance was sponsored jointly by the Campus U.S.O. and the Student Council.

THE MUSICAL contribution to the Founders' Day convocation program held on March 15 was made by Jane Coldren, East Canton, soprano, and junior in the School of Music, who was accompanied at the piano by Marjorie Stevens, Conneaut, a senior in the College of Education. Both young ladies are members of Sigma Alpha Iota, honorary music sorority. Miss Coldren's numbers were "The Temple Bells Are Ringing," by Woodforde-Finden, and "My Desire," by Nevin.

THE SUMMER Semester of 1944 will open on June 5 and close on September 22. The Fall Semester, opening on September 25, will close on January 26, 1945. The opening and closing dates of the Spring Semester are January 29 and May 26. For the convenience of teachers and others not seeking the advantages of the accelerated program the 1944 Summer Session will be divided into two eight-week terms: June 5 to July 28 and July 31 to September 22. It is expected that formal graduation exercises will be held at the conclusion of the first eight-week term. A special three-week course has been scheduled for the benefit of those persons who require only a few more hours of credit for graduation or for teacher qualification under emergency provisions. The course, opening on July 31 and closing on August 18, will run concurrently with the first three weeks of the second semester term. The maximum load for the three-week session will be three credit hours.

THREE MEN have been initiated this month into Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honor society for men with a scholastic point average of 3.5 or over in the first semester or entire first year. They are: Richard N. Mackinnon, Athens; Richard W. Williams, Carbondale; and William M. Smith, Bedford. Scholar Mackinnon, son of English Professor Clinton N. Mackinnon, was inducted into the Army the day after initiation.

Division of Physical Welfare Has Important Role in Campus Program

In describing the organization and offerings of Ohio University's various colleges and lesser units last month there was not space for a reference to the Division of Physical Welfare.

Because this division, administered by Director O. C. Bird, is such an important one in the scheme of things athletic and recreational its work is here reviewed.

A physical fitness program required of all students in the university is carried out as a war service. The program for men consists of the following vigorous activities: calisthenics, obstacle course, heavy apparatus, tumbling, wrestling, boxing, hand-to-hand combat, fencing, and strenuous sports. Provisions have been made for students, who for medical reasons are unable to participate in vigorous activity, to take a course called Adapted Activities.

The program for women is on an elective basis and choices may be made from the following: hockey, soccer, basketball, gymnastics, tennis, volleyball, softball, badminton, swimming, folk dancing, modern dancing, tap dancing, and hiking. Men and women students who for any reason are unable to participate in the activity classes are given individual instruction in special classes.

The division offers an extensive program of intramural sports and sponsors a recreational program. Instruction is given to interested groups in extracurricular classes in the activities desired, thereby providing an opportunity for the less proficient students to develop skills and master game techniques.

By fulfilling the requirements, stu-

dents who wish to major in the Division of Physical Welfare may apply for the following degrees: Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Arts, or Bachelor of Science in Education.

A major in physical education prepares men and women students for the following positions: teacher of physical education in the elementary



O. C. Bird

and secondary schools, teacher of health, playground director, athletic coach, camp counselor, and recreational leader for industrial concerns and municipalities. The university has been successful in placing graduates who are well qualified in these fields.

Plans For Another Streamlined Commencement Announced for May

Streamlining at commencement time will again be the order of the day. Only one event, the formal graduation exercises, at two o'clock, Eastern War Time, Saturday afternoon, May 20, will mark the closing of the current school year and the passing of another senior class. There will be no baccalaureate service.

Prompted last year by a desire to cooperate with the government in its request for reduced travel and by the very practical consideration of food rationing difficulties, the annual Alumni Luncheon was temporarily discontinued. Beset by even greater difficulties this year it has been deemed wise to further postpone this commencement feature.

The commencement speaker, on May 20, will be Dr. Stephen P. Duggan, who has been director of the

Navy Surgeon Assists in Burial Of Fighter Pilot in South Pacific

(Editor's Note: The following story was written by Eugene Burns, an Associated Press War correspondent, and was released last month. The young officer for whom the search was made, Lieut. James D. Miller, was an honor student at Ohio University for two and a half years, 1939-41. His death was reported in the November, 1943, issue of *The Ohio Alumnus*.)

ABOARD A CARRIER OFF ENIWETOK—(Delayed)—An incident portraying the part religion plays in our fighting men's lives was related today by Flight Surgeon Lieut. Comm. John E. Carey, 30, Buffalo, N. Y. He led a rescue party of 12 men into the jungles of tiny Mono, New Hebrides, last year, to search for Pilot James Doran Miller, 24, of Dexter City, Ohio, whose Hellcat crashed and burned after a collision.

Following the zoom of his comrade's airplane, the party found the charred plane and his broken body.

On his chest was an identification tag and a blackened silver junior lieutenant's collar bar.

Using plane parts, the men scooped a spot in the middle of the twisted wreckage for a grave.

"As the boys were making a cross," Dr. Carey said, "a seaman put a Catholic missal—a sort of prayer book—in my hands.

"Unaccustomed to it, I thumbed through and found a few appropriate lines. After the boys heaped dirt over the pilot, they uncovered their heads. None asked me to pray but I knew they would never have left that jungle grave without it.

"After the prayer, as we moved away, I looked back and saw a seaman take something from under his shirt and hang it from the cross.

"I went back. He was flustered and apologized. 'Even though he wasn't a Catholic,' he said, 'I thought he ought to have my Sacred Heart medal.'"

Institute of International Education in New York City since 1919. Prior to that he was a member of the staff in political science at the College of the City of New York and a lecturer on international relations at Columbia University. He has been awarded honorary degrees by seven American and foreign universities. A world traveler, he has received honors and decorations from France, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, and Chile.

Calling All Owners of 1943 Athenas

Although all copies of the 1943 *Athena*, campus yearbook, have long since been distributed, requests continue to come to the Alumni Office for help in securing copies of the annual. Some of these requests have been made by men who left the campus early last year for military service and thus failed or were unable to place orders for the book.

Will anyone possessing a copy of last year's *Athena* and willing to sell it, please notify the Alumni Secretary, P. O. Box 285, Athens, Ohio, at once. Service men will be given first chance at any books that may become available.

Bobcats To Have Baseball Team But Rest of Spring Sports Program Goes By the Board

THE EDITOR recalls having read somewhere in the Scriptures that the ancient Hebrews, laboring for their Egyptian captors, were forced to make bricks without straw. This seems to have been a tough job.

No less difficult, however, is the task of an editor who has to write a sports page without sports—and spring sports at Ohio University are not a "heavy industry."

Only after issuing a second call did Coach Don Peden get a response from enough men to warrant the forming of a baseball team. Many of the boys who showed up were admittedly of an indifferent sort as far as diamond experience is concerned. The Bobcat coach has seen only one member of his squad in action before—pitcher Johnny Maldovan. The team's main problem, after getting a schedule lined up, will be to find a catcher.

The pitchers will work out during the spring recess, and the rest of the squad will begin daily drills on Ohio Field after the vacation period which ends on April 10, weather and floods permitting. Until the A.S.T.P. cadets vacate the Men's Gym on April 1, that building will not be available for indoor practice.

At press time, Don Peden, in his capacity as director of intercollegiate athletics, had succeeded in booking home-and-home games with Ohio State, Miami, and Denison. Negotiations were still under way with Ohio Wesleyan and Otterbein.

The scheduling job was made difficult by the fact that schools operating under the quarter system and schools having Navy and Marine V-12 players were restricted by time and travel limitations. The schedule as of the moment, however, is as follows: Apr. 15, Ohio State, there; Apr. 22, Miami, there; Apr. 26, Ohio State, here; Apr. 29, Denison, there; May 6, Denison, here; and May 12, Miami, here.

Track, swimming, wrestling, and tennis have all been temporarily discontinued because of manpower shortages.

BUT, IF THE few remaining Bobcat athletes are quiescent on the home front, through no fault of their own, their former buddies who are wearing Uncle Sam's uniforms, are seeing plenty of action. There will be no difficulty in filling up the page with news concerning these Bobcats in service.

For instance, the parents of John Fekete, '43x, in Findlay, have just received a War Department telegram, unaccompanied by details, that this former gridiron ace has been wounded in action. One of Ohio's greatest backfielders, John was a triple-threat man on the varsity teams of '40, '41, and '42. He entered service after the

conclusion of the school year last spring, and was a paratrooper in England early in January of this year. Two of his brothers, Gene, who won fame in football at Ohio State, and Alex, also are in the service, the latter overseas.

Just come to hand is a copy of a citation that accompanied the new Bronze Star Medal awarded to Major Sylvester L. "Pete" Stephan, '35 (for another reference to this Marine Corps officer, see page 12), by Admiral W. F. Halsey, commander of the South Pacific Force of the U. S. Pacific Fleet. Stephan was an All-Ohio center

in football. The citation reads as follows: "For heroic achievement in action against the enemy as Commanding Officer of a Marine amphibian tractor battalion, during the initial landings and subsequent engagements in the Empress Augusta Bay area on Bougainville, British Solomon Islands, between November 1 and December 6, 1943. During this period Major Stephan personally led detachments of his battalion in cutting trails through Japanese infested territory and established vital supply routes necessary for our forward movement. Because of deep swamps and thickly overgrown jungle terrain, his tractors were compelled to operate with reduced armament, under attacks by enemy snipers, amid noises of the tractor motors

which concealed the Japanese movements and sources of fire. Under his leadership his battalion transported munitions, evacuated casualties, and carried out reconnaissance missions in enemy territory. By his outstanding leadership and courageous action, he contributed materially toward the success of operations in the above area. His conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

LIEUT. BERNARD J. McCASHEN, '33, former All-Ohio tackle, is the athletic officer for student officers and instructors of "P" Boat Squadron No. 1 at the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla. He attended the Pre-Flight School at the University of Iowa.

GRAY IS THE close-cropped hair, and a bit wrinkled the skin of Wrestling Coach Thorwald Olson, '27 (see picture), but still iron tough are the muscles of this veteran of the physical welfare and coaching staff.

Born in Sweden, Feb. 12, 1881, Thor has long been an American citizen. Before coming to Ohio University in 1916, he was a professional wrestler. While still an amateur he once was middleweight wrestling champion of the world, and as an emblem of that honor he still possesses the Lord Lonsdale Belt which he won in London. He is an Ohio University graduate, and has studied at Harvard University and the University of Michigan.



Thorwald Olson

Hoover Relates the Historical Background of Ohio University in Founders' Day Address

(Editor's Note: The observance of Founders' Day was originally scheduled for February 18, but because of precautions taken against the spread of scarlet fever on the campus the program celebrating the event was postponed until March 15. The Founders' Day address was given by Thomas N. Hoover, '05, professor of history and Ohio University historian. The portion of the address published in this issue deals with the historical background and the establishment of the university. Next month a lively portion outlining the rules and regulations governing the conduct of the early-day students will be reproduced.)

ON February 18, one hundred and forty years ago, the General Assembly of Ohio enacted a law changing the name of "The American Western University" to "Ohio University." It is because of that law, that that day is designated "Founders' Day." Thomas Jefferson was the President of the United States; John Marshall but a few years before had left the cabinet of Adams to become Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; Manasseh Cutler was serving his second and last term as a member of Congress; Ohio was in her first year of statehood.

But years before this date the founders had done much of the work in preparation for the emergence of this university. As early as 1783, Rufus Putnam, the real founder of Ohio University, in a letter to General George Washington, urged the survey and settlement of, and the support of schools and churches in, the lands west of the mountains, "to banish forever the idea of our western territory falling under the dominion of any European power." On April 5, 1784, he again wrote Washington, "The settlement of the Ohio country, sir, engrosses many of my thoughts and much of my time . . . We are growing quite impatient; and the general inquiry is, when are we going to the Ohio." The fruit of Putnam's efforts was the Ordinance of 1785, providing for the rectangular survey system and the grant of land for the support of public schools.

The next year, on January 9,

Benjamin Tupper spent the night with Rufus Putnam in his Rutland, Massachusetts, home. The result of their deliberations was the "Information," a notice published in the papers of



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New England, that those interested in forming a land company should meet at the Bunch of Grapes Tavern in Boston, on the first day of the following March. Eleven men responded to the call and formed the Ohio Company of Associates. A year later, sufficient stock having been sold, the directors of the company, Putnam, General Samuel H. Parsons, and Manasseh Cutler, commissioned General Parsons to go to New York and submit to Congress a proposition for the purchase of land in the Northwest Territory. General Parsons presented his "memorial" to Congress on May 9, 1787. It was referred to a committee of five members. Congress then adjourned till July. The committee made its report on July 10, three days before the Ordinance of 1787 was passed. It included in part the following: "Four complete townships to be given perpetually for the Purposes of an University, to be laid off by the Company, as near the centre as may be, so that the same shall be of good land, to be applied to the intended object by the Legislature of the State."

Early in July, Manasseh Cutler re-

placed Parsons as lobbyist for the company. His first contribution was to go over the Ordinance and make some suggestions. He then took a side trip to Philadelphia for a few days. On his return to New York, he found that the Ordinance had been passed with almost all of his suggestions incorporated in that document. The oft-quoted article about schools at first, read, "Institutions for the promotion of religion and morality, schools, and the means of education shall forever be encouraged, and all persons while young shall be taught some useful occupation."

With the government as provided in the Ordinance of 1787 satisfactory to Cutler, he then took up the problem of a contract for the purchase of land. In this Cutler demonstrated his ability as a shrewd politician. On July 23, a contract was authorized by Congress but was not acceptable to Cutler. It was modified to meet his wishes on July 27. Cutler at once started back to Massachusetts to present the contract to the company. At a meeting on August 29, the contract was "approved, ratified, and confirmed." Cutler and Winthrop Sargent were then sent by the company back to New York to sign the contract on the part of the company. Samuel Osgood and Arthur Lee signed for Congress. This was on October 27, 1787.

The provision of the contract which concerns Ohio University was that two townships of land should be set aside for the University. Without any debate on the question, the grant of four townships which Congress was apparently willing to give Parsons for the support of the university, was cut to two townships when Cutler took his place. But two townships of land, 46,080 acres, would not of themselves make a university. People must settle in the territory before there could be graduates. Of course, it was Rufus Putnam who brought the first settlers in the second Mayflower. The landing at present Marietta, the building of homes, the hardships of the pioneers, the conflicts with Indians, the establishment of government, and many others were experiences of these first settlers. Indeed, it was not until after Mad Anthony Wayne had defeated the Indians at Fallen Timbers and had

negotiated the Treaty of Greenville that it was safe to go so far from Marietta.

That same year, 1795, the directors of the company requested Putnam to arrange for hands, boats and canoes, and fifteen men as a guard against Indians, and proceed with the work of locating the university townships. That they might be properly nourished

and perhaps protected from bites of serpents, the directors of the company supplied them with "eight hundred pounds of good salt pork called middlings, also twelve hundred of flour and hard bread, three-bushels of beans, and forty gallons of whiskey." Thus equipped, Putnam proceeded down the Ohio, up the Hocking, and located the townships. He reported the townships selected for the university as being the most central and of an excellent quality—townships eight and nine in range fourteen, Athens and Alexander townships in Athens County.

With the location of the two townships, Putnam continued his efforts for the university. On February 3, 1799, he wrote Cutler requesting a model charter for the university. Cutler replied on July 15 that there was no charter in the country suitable. Putnam again wrote Cutler on August 7, "we are totally destitute of any copy of an incorporating act, or charter of a college, or even an academy; . . . I want you to make out one in detail, or procure it done for us, and forward it by mail to me as soon as it is ready." It was not till June 30, 1800, that Cutler complied with Putnam's request, sending him a model charter and a letter of explanation.

The preamble provided: "Institutions for the liberal education of youth are essential to the progress of Arts and Sciences; important to Morals and Religion; friendly to the peace, order, and prosperity of Society; and honorable to the Government which patronizes them." The charter proper provided that the name

should be "American University;" that there be trustees, president, and faculty; that the two townships be properly administered, and that the students be examined quarterly.

In his letter of explanation, Cutler stressed the need of examinations and warned against large buildings, since "chambers in colleges are too often made the secret nurseries of every

On January 9, 1802, the Territorial legislature passed an act establishing the university and included in it the preamble as submitted by Cutler. The name given, however, was "American Western University." A board of ten trustees, with Rufus Putnam as president, was named in this act, but little was done under the act as Ohio was so soon to become a state. On

February 18, 1804, the General Assembly of Ohio changed the name to "Ohio University." The remainder of the act differed but little from the act of January 9, 1802. Thus the state of Ohio accepted the guardianship of, and with pride and joy gave its own name, "Ohio," to the first institution for higher learning in the Northwest Territory.

The first meeting of the trustees

of Ohio University was held in Athens on the first Monday in June of that year. The Governor of the state, Edward Tiffin, came from the capital city, Chillicothe, to preside over the meeting. Most of the trustees were from Marietta. Of course, one of them was Rufus Putnam who was chosen president of the Board.

For some years the business of the Board was to have the lands of the two townships surveyed and leased; since no income would accrue to the university until the land produced it. When the treasurer was called on for the condition of the treasury at a meeting in 1806, he reported "not one cent." At a later meeting it was voted that payments to the university might be made in hemp, steers from three to eight years old at \$2.50 per hundred pounds, the hide and tallow to be included, and hogs not less than 250 pounds at \$3.00 per hundred.

On Christmas day, 1806, the Trustees considered a plan for a college building. The structure, known as the Academy building, was a two-room, two-story building, 24 by 30 feet, and was ready for use in June, 1808. It was located near the present site of what is left of a \$500 sundial. The building cost \$500.



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vice and the cages of unclean birds."

Putnam wrote a "thank you" letter on August 2 but differed from Cutler on the building question. Putnam feared that in time there would not be sufficient buildings to accommodate the student body. He even went so far as to predict that sometime in the centuries to come, there might be as many as five hundred students at this university.

At the same time Putnam was writing Cutler about a charter, he was planning for a board of trustees. He thought that ten members would be enough at the beginning, and then if men should contribute generously to the university, they might be added to the list of trustees.

In 1799, the territorial legislature of the Northwest Territory, in the first year of its existence, selected Rufus Putnam to lay off a town plat which should contain a square for the college. The present campus, with some few changes, and the city of Athens were then located. The present site was chosen not because of liquor being used, according to the legend of the Indian chief and his fair daughter, but because the river offered a means of transportation and protection against the Indians.

Service Roster Passes Four Thousand As University Plans for Postwar Program

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An Alumni Office visitor early this month was Second Lieut. Ayus Isarasena, '43 (see picture on page 4) of the "Free Thai Unit," a military unit composed of Thailanders (Siamese) in the United States who are preparing to leave soon for overseas service.



Capt. Lester H. Sablow, U.S.A.

The nature of their services and the proposed locale of their operations are strict military secrets, but when one recalls that Thailand is one of the small Asiatic countries overrun by the Japanese in their southward march of conquest certain guesses are better than others. Lieutenant Isarasena is a paratrooper and received his training at Ft. Benning, Ga. He is a native of Bangkok, Thailand, where his father, now retired, is a former president of Chulalaukara University. His father, who holds a Doctor of Science degree, is a graduate of London University. His mother received a diploma from the Tokyo Teachers College in Japan. Appearing in the picture with Lieutenant Isarasena is Ohio University's Dean of Men Laurence W. Lange, who, himself, will soon be in uniform.

News reports telling of injuries sustained by Major S. L. "Pete" Stephan, '35, Sidney, in island operations in the Southwest Pacific, have caused his friends much concern. However, Mrs. Stephan, a teacher at the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, Xenia, gives assurance

that her husband's injuries are not too serious. The mishap occurred while Major Stephan, commander of a U. S. Marine Corps amphibian tractor battalion, was directing his forces in the blazing of a trail through a swamp. Pete was out in front of the tractors and the undergrowth was so dense that he and his men lost contact, with the result that he was struck by one of the big "alligators" and thrown over a log. He was evacuated to a hospital where careful examination disclosed that he had suffered no internal injuries. He was back at the front after ten days.

Capt. Lester H. Sablow, '36 (see picture), White Plains, N. Y., is sweating it out these days as a battalion dental surgeon in the jungle terrains of the China-Burma-India theater. He writes: "Our histories and geography texts often allude to this country as the 'land of enchantment.' As yet, I have failed to detect any evidence of glamour here. However, even in these distant lands, in the midst of cholera, dysentery, and malaria, surprises never cease. Recently, while on a trip . . . I stopped off for chow at an evacuation hospital. I was seated at a table with half a dozen American nurses, the first white girls I had seen in four months. Just then I spied a collegemate from Ohio U., Capt. Virgil L. Cross ['35]. . . . needless to say it was a very interesting reunion. Nevertheless, I



Lieut. Dean J. Algeo, U.S.A.

am still 'mad' at Virgil for not giving me an introduction to the assembled pulchritude." Captain Sablow, of the Army Dental Corps, is a brother of Pvt. Eugene Sablow, '42, now enrolled in a Q.M.C. Officer Candidate School at Camp Lee, Va.

An early December reunion that



Lieut. Francis R. Bush, U.S.A.

took place at an officers' club somewhere in the South Pacific brought together First Lieut. Dean J. Algeo, '41x (see picture), New Matamoras, a Signal Corps officer with the 7th Fighter Command; Lieut. Joseph A. Sturrett, '41, Canton, of the 17th Marines; and Ensign Pearl L. Spuler, '41, Lyndon, of the Navy's Civil Engineers Corps. It goes without saying that a grand and glorious time was had by all. Joe, who has been in Australia and on Guadalcanal, has met Howard Wertman, Kim Boyer, and Pete Stephan, all Ohioans and all U.S. Marine Corps officers who helped to establish the original beachhead on Guadalcanal.

First Lieut. Francis R. Bush, '41x (see picture), Middleport, of the Army Air Forces, is now stationed at the 812th Specialized Depot, Lodi, N. J. Before receiving his commission early last year he spent two years overseas. He was decorated for heroic action during the bombing of Hickam Field and Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, on the fateful Dec. 7, 1941. Stationed at the flying field, Lieutenant Bush was wounded when he attempted to rescue two valuable airplanes from a burning hangar. His brother Fred E. Bush, '39x, is located at Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Here and There Among the Alumni

Attaining an age which will not be reached by many of us, Mrs. Kate Miller Stanbery, widow of ELIAS M. STANBERY, '57, recently celebrated the 100th anniversary of her birth. The occasion was marked by a tea at her home in McConeville at which a large number of relatives and friends were guests. A pictorial record of the event was made by Mrs. Stanbery's granddaughter of New York City, a *LIFE Magazine* photographer, who was assigned to the celebration by the periodical. Mrs. Stanbery was married in 1861, just before the outbreak of the Civil War. Her

DR. L. MONROE HIGGINS, '16. He is a brother of Mrs. H. B. Francis (ANNETTE HIGGINS, '11, 2-yr.), Steubenville; Mrs. Albert N. McKinney (ELIZABETH HIGGINS, '92, 3-yr.), Smithfield; JOSEPH W. HIGGINS, '76x, Athens, and DR. C. H. HIGGINS, '87, Zanesville. Both of the brothers are now dead.

MRS. ELLA LOGAN BUXTON, '88, 3-yr., is a resident of the Foster Memorial Home in Huntington, W. Va. Mrs. Buxton's health is somewhat better now than for some time, although she is unable to be out-of-doors. Mrs. Buxton was a member of the first class at Ohio University to be awarded diplomas for anything less than the full, four-year degree course. Her diploma was awarded upon completion of a three-year course in "pedagogy." She is the mother of FREDERICK L. BUXTON, '26, Berea, with the Fisher Aircraft Division of the General Motors Corporation, Cleveland, and Mrs. BERTHA BUXTON ASHBAUGH, '13, 2-yr., wife of R. P. ASHBAUGH, '10, 2-yr., Westfield, N. J. Mr. Ashbaugh is a cable development engineer in the Bell Telephone Laboratories (New York City).

From a classmate of the REV. DR. ELMER A. DENT, MRS. ANNA BARTON PORTERFIELD, '88, Spokane, Wash., it is learned that the former has recently undergone a very serious operation in New York City. Dr. Dent, of Belleview, Fla., is a retired clergyman. He has held important pastorates and administrative assignments in the New York area.

CHARLES S. ASHTON, '93, for many years owner and manager of the Dakota Printing Company in Sioux Falls, S. D., is now associated with the *Daily Argus Leader* in Sioux Falls.

Very regrettably, class reunions at commencement time this spring will again be "war casualties." The travel restrictions that prevailed last year and were a prime reason for the temporary abandonment of the traditional spring gatherings are still in effect—only more so. Among those most disappointed is L. E. ARMSTRONG, '94, Rawlins, Wyo., prominent in politics and the legal profession, who had hoped to join other members of his class in a 50th anniversary celebration. Of the eleven original members of the class, however, seven are dead, and the whereabouts of only two of the remainder are known.

THOMAS L. YOUNG, '95 (see picture), manager of the South Side Water Works Company, Chester, W. Va., has been elected to the national board of directors of the American Water Works Association for a three-year term. Meetings of the board are held at the association's headquarters in New York City. He is a past president of the West Virginia Water Purification Conference. In his senior year at Ohio University, he was president of his class and was an assistant in the department of physics and electrical engineering. A resident of Chester for many years, he has been prominent in educational, civic, and political affairs of his community. He is the father of Mrs. William J. Ingram (HELEN YOUNG, '29), Chester, and the proud grandfather of

Master William Thomas Ingram, now twenty months of age.

MRS. NELLIE MCNULT BROWN, '09, 2-yr., is a senior unit head in the U. S. Employment Center in Dayton. A son, Pvt. Charles F. Brown, is a Marine Corps "raider" now seeing service in the South Pacific.

BARNETT W. TAYLOR, '11, principal of Cleveland's East Technical High School, one of the largest and most modernly-equipped technical high schools in the country, is chairman of the advisory board of the Vocational Guidance Bureau of the Cleveland Humane Society. The



Thomas L. Young

husband was for half a century the leading attorney and business man in Morgan County. At the time of his death he was the oldest alumnus of Ohio University as well as the oldest member of his fraternity, Beta Theta Pi, in the state. Before entering the field of banking he served three terms as county prosecutor and two terms in the State Legislature. He died in 1922 in his 90th year.

DR. J. M. HIGGINS, '84x (see picture), age 82, a retired physician of Athens, although by the calendar the oldest man present at the banquet celebrating the 75th anniversary of the establishment of Ohio Gamma chapter of Phi Delta Theta fraternity, was in point of spirit one of the most youthful. Dr. Higgins, who became a member of the fraternity sixty years ago, was on the after-dinner program, speaking in a reminiscent vein. He proudly wears a hand-wrought solid gold fraternity pin, of which there is only one other known duplicate in the country. The other pin was the possession of Dr. Alston Ellis, former president of Ohio University, who was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity at Miami University. Dr. Higgins is the father of Mrs. LOUISE HIGGINS LANGENBERG, '12, 2-yr., Cambridge, Mass., and of the late



Dr. J. M. Higgins

purpose of the vocational bureau is to offer educational and vocational guidance to youth for whom such guidance is recommended by the various social agencies of the Cleveland Welfare Federation.

SAMUEL O. WELDAY, '12, has been associated with the public schools of Santa Barbara, Calif., for 23 years. Last year he was transferred from the principalship of Roosevelt School to a similar position in McKinley School, a beautiful and modern building overlooking the Pacific Ocean and just opposite the new site for the University of California at Santa Barbara. The local college was made a part of the university only last year. Principal Welday and Mrs. Welday (EDITH MCCORMICK, '12) have issued a standing invitation to their Ohio University friends and classmates to visit them at 2117 Chapala St., Santa Barbara.

When a Cleveland youngster developed a serious eye ailment, DR. ALEXANDER C. HOFFMEISTER, '15, medical examiner for the Cleveland Board of Education for the past eighteen years, directed the school nurse to write a note to the parents suggesting that they see an oculist about the matter. This action incurred the wrath of the Cleveland

Optometric League which, through its secretary, sought to have Doctor Hoffmeister cited for contempt of an old court order which it was claimed prohibited medical examiners from recommending an oculist beyond the term "eye doctor." An optometrist is licensed to fit glasses, but not to treat diseases of the eye. The petition was dismissed by a common pleas judge in a ruling which stated that the doctor and nurse had considered the best interests of the child.

CARR LIGGETT, '16, head of an advertising concern, is secretary of the anti-merger committee which is opposing con-

BEN F. FULKS, '20, former principal of Norwood High School, is assistant principal of Woodward High School in Cincinnati. Principal Fulks is the husband of the former BESSIE DARLING, '19, and an uncle of LIEUT. PAUL E. DEAN, '35, an A.A.F. officer now in Australia.

WILLIAM L. ANDERSON, '21, 2-yr., is a civil engineer in the Office of the Chief of U. S. Engineers in the War Department at Washington. His home is in suburban Silver Spring, Md. Engineer Anderson became associated with the government department about 13 years ago, having, prior to that time, been associated with the Southern Railroad.

ELIZABETH J. HERBERT, '22, an instructor in John Adams High School, Cleveland, was an early March visitor to the campus on the occasion of the initiation of her niece, Betsy Kinnison, into one of the social sororities. Betsy is a freshman. Another niece, Jane Kinnison, is a senior this year. Miss Herbert is a sister of Thomas J. Herbert, attorney general of Ohio, and a candidate for governor in the Republican primaries this spring. She is also a sister of MRS. KATHRYNE HERBERT KINNISON, '14, 2-yr., Jackson. Two of her aunts, the late M. Edith Jones and OLWYN JONES, '18x, and an uncle, MOSTYN L. "BUMP" JONES, '13, have been associated with Ohio University either as members of the teaching staff or of the student body. Miss Marged Edith Jones was an instructor in piano at Ohio University from 1901 to 1914, and was associated with the School of Music at Ohio State University at the time of her death last year. Miss Olwyn is a member of Ohio State's music faculty at the present time, while Mostyn, well remembered by his campus contemporaries for his lyrical tenor voice, is also a Columbus resident.

GEORGE D. HENRY, '23x, now a resident of St. Mathews, Ky., near Louisville, is a procurement specialist in the Textile and Cordage Purchase Branch of the Army Quartermaster Depot at Jeffersonville, Ind. In January, he was commended by Brigadier General Kimball, of the depot, for ability shown in the purchase and transportation of a rush order of 500,000 lbs. of jute rope which he dispatched to the San Francisco Port of Embarkation. Through his good judgment and management thousands of dollars were saved in transportation charges.

CAPT. GUILBERT R. GRAHAM, '24, former teacher in Lash Senior High School, Zanesville, is an instructor in weather and assistant director of the Army's Basic Flying School at Strother Field, Winfield, Kans. Before going to the Kansas post he taught meteorology at Randolph Field and the Waco Army Flying School in Texas.

W. R. Goddard, age 94, who lives with his son, DEWEY M. GODDARD, '25, Athens insurance man, had his first airplane ride a few weeks ago. Upon alighting, he was so enthusiastic that he said he was considering joining the Army Air Forces or the Civil Air Patrol. Later, he more cautiously admitted that "I suppose I will get my neck broken some of these days with my foolery." The elder Mr. Goddard was born in 1849, the year of the California Gold Rush.

MRS. BERTHA BENNETT WOLFE, '25,

2-yr., is a teacher in the John Burroughs School in Columbus. Her husband, Clifford E. Wolfe, passed away May 7, 1943. He was a teacher in Starling Junior High School, also in Columbus.

Mrs. Joseph R. Drumm (MILDRED WAGNER, '26) is a teacher in the Mansfield elementary schools.

MRS. LEAH KNOCH JAMES, '27, 2-yr., is the director of Bellevue School, a boarding school for exceptional children, in Hollins, Va.

A. C. "TONY" GRANT, '28, A.M. '38, high school principal at Loudonville, was



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solidation in Cleveland of the National City Bank and the Union Bank of Commerce.

ALEXANDER C. KERR, '16, London, England, regional director of the U. S. War Shipping Administration, has described as "absolutely untrue" reports published in the United States last month that eight Liberty ships had shortly before cracked up in the Atlantic and limped back to Britain for repair.

RACHAEL J. HIGGINS, '17, instructor in English and dramatics in Lash Senior High School, Zanesville, is state treasurer of the American Association of University Women. Miss Higgins is a daughter of the late Dr. C. H. HIGGINS, '87.

Mrs. Glenn W. Durlinger (LUCILLE COOMBS, '18) is the homefinding supervisor for the Family and Children's Bureau in Columbus.

HOWARD C. DRAKE, '19, is the owner and manager of an insurance agency in Richwood. His only son, John Williams, is an Army Air Force radio operator.

MAJOR DALE JONES, '20, onetime varsity football captain and an Air Corps officer in the Regular Army, returned to the States last fall after a period of overseas duty and was stationed at Bates Field, Ala. Now, he is gone again, the only dew as to his whereabouts being the fact that he gets his mail in care of that well-known postmaster in New York City.



Sammy Kaye

one of the officials named to handle the regional Class A Basketball Tournament at Dennison (city, not college) early this month. He was the whistle blower in the nip-and-tuck game which Newark, last year's state champs, lost to Martins Ferry. In the Class A and B games at Youngstown, JOHN K. RUSS, '28, athletic coach in Rayen School, was one of the officials.

GRACE M. BRUCE, '29, director, since graduation from Ohio University, of girls' physical education at Chaney High School, Youngstown, is now at American University, Washington, D. C., taking a training course preparatory to going overseas as an assistant recreational director for the American Red Cross.

LIEUT. (j.g.) VINCENT J. JUKES, '30, on leave from his position at Ohio University as assistant professor of dramatic art and speech, has returned from his post on the island of Adak, in the Aleutians, and is now in Washington, D. C., awaiting reassignment. He expects his next "tour of duty" to be in New York City. LIFE Magazine in its issue of March 13 published a number of pictures in natural colors of scenes of Adak and the surrounding islands.

Two enrollees of the Correspondence Study branch of the Ohio University Extension Division are Germans and prisoners of war at Camp Livingston, N. Y. Both are premedical students and both were prewar students in German universities. Klaus Kuemper of Hamm,

Westfalen, Germany, who was a "gefrierer" in the German Air Force, is enrolled for a course in physics under JOHN E. EDWARDS, '30, A.M. '32, assistant professor of the subject. Kuepper is a former student of the University of Muenster. Eric Fritz Lindner of Ruerbach, an underofficer of the German Army and a former student of the University of Halle, is enrolled for a course in organic chemistry under Dr. Donald R. Clippinger, professor of chemistry. The applications for correspondence study work were approved by the commanding officer of Camp Livingston, with both

very popular Kaye-copyrighted "So You Want To Lead a Band?" audience-participation stunt will be included in each of the Columbus performances. In Hollywood, Sammy, who was a regular Wednesday night attraction on the CBS ether waves, made a picture entitled "Song of The Open Road." A Hollywood columnist reports that Sammy revealed to Edgar Bergen his lifelong ambition to be a ventriloquist. As a consequence, Edgar gave Sammy lessons in the fine points of dummy manipulation between takes on the "Open Road" set. "Hereafter," said the columnist, "the Victor recording maestro will be able to bill the band as 'Swing, Sway, and Repartee, with Sammy Kaye.'"

CHARLES W. "CHUCK" REAMER, JR., '33, a member of the display advertising staff of the Athens Messenger, has been commissioned a lieutenant (j.g.) in the U. S. Naval Reserve. After a period of indoctrination at Princeton University he will be assigned to duty as a deck officer. Mrs. Reamer (GREEBA COLLINS, '29, 2-yr.), and their four-year-old son, John, will remain in Athens.

Mrs. Harry Kimpel (ALICE KEEN, '33) is the art director in the advertising department of Gimbel Brothers department store in Milwaukee, Wis.

When the birth of a son to FRANCIS P. LACZKO, '34, and Mrs. Laczko, R.F.D. 1, Mentor, was announced in the January *Alumnus*, the father's occupational activity was not given. Francis is a job analyst with the Fisher Body Division of the General Motors Corp., in Cleveland.

CAPT. GERALD W. BLANTON, '35, former staff physician at the Athens State Hospital, is now serving at a base hospital in England.

LESLIE H. MILLER, '35, A.M. '38, is a seaman 2/c at the Navy's Camp Endicott, Davisville, R. I. Before entering the service he was an instructor in mathematics at Ohio State University.

LIEUT. (S.G.) ARTHUR E. LEWIS, '36, former all-Ohio and professional (Cleveland Rams) football star, is now a battalion commander at the Naval Air Station in New Orleans, La. Lieutenant Lewis is married and has two children. Arthur C., age 3, and John K., age 1. His brother, REV. EDWARD W. LEWIS, '38, A.M. '41, has recently resigned the pastorate of the Central Park Baptist Church in New York City, to enter military service as a chaplain. One of Lieutenant Lewis' subordinates is Robert Taylor, erstwhile movie star.

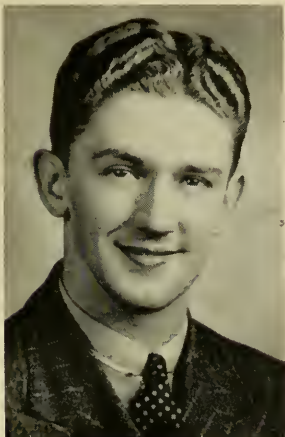
ELIZABETH CARNES, '37, Gallipolis, a former teacher in her home schools, is at present in Washington, D. C., receiving instruction for her forthcoming overseas duties as a physical director for the American Red Cross.

STAFF SGT. LEE O. RAMEY, '37, A.M. '41, is a physical fitness instructor in the Army Air Corps at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. Sergeant Ramey is on leave from his position as a teacher in Athens High School.

TECH. SGT. GEORGE W. BOEHK, '38, of the Army Air Forces, Atlantic City, N. J., married a Miss Betty Manthey, Nov. 29, 1941. Sergeant and Mrs. Boehk are now the parents of a daughter, Susan Ruth, born Dec. 15, 1942.

SGT. FRANCIS W. (FRANK) KESSLER '38 (see picture) is somewhere on that "tight little isle" called England, where he is personnel clerk of a photographic company in the Army Signal Corps. Back home in Canton eagerly awaiting his letters are his wife and a two-year-old son, William Francis. Sergeant Kessler is a onetime business manager of the *Green and White*, predecessor of the *Ohio University Post*.

HOMER B. WILLIS, '39, is an assistant engineer in the U. S. Engineers Office at Louisville, Ky., where he divides time between planning and designing drainage



Dale C. Engle

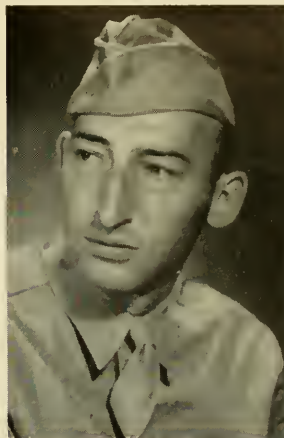
men paying their fees from personal funds. Prisoners of war are limited to one communication a week, and these men are using their quota for lesson reports.

One of the 40,000 civilians and military men who make up the population of the Army's gigantic Pentagon Building in Arlington, Va., is CAPT. OVID M. McMILLION, '30, who is with Military Intelligence. Captain McMillion is on leave from his position in the geography department of Wilson Teachers College, Washington, D. C.

PAUL E. BEEDE, '31, is a representative, in the Hornell (N.Y.) district, for the Atlantic Refining Co.

DWIGHT W. THOMAS, '32, Chesterhill, recently received his Army call. No farm help being available to replace him, he and his father sold fifteen Jersey cows, a portion of their dairy herd, for an average of \$169 each. One cow, five years old, sold for \$286. The buyer sold her before leaving the premises for \$311, a profit of \$25.

SAMMY KAYE, '32 (see picture on preceding page), and his Swing and Sway boys are now on their way East on a limited tour that follows completion of winter ballroom and screen engagements in California. The stage bill at the RKO Palace Theater in Columbus on May 16, 17, and 18, will be headed by Sammy and his instrumentalists and singers. The



Sgt. Frank W. Kessler

systems for airfields and hydraulic studies for proposed flood-control reservoirs. The U. S. Engineers are under direct control of the War Department.

Mrs. Leo Townsend (PAULINE SWANSON, '39), Beverly Hills, Calif., was a recent guest of home folks in Athens while enroute to New York City to live during the time her husband is in military service. Mrs. Townsend will join the staff of the McFadden Publications in New York on April 1. Her husband, under contract with Metro Goldwyn Mayer, completed a screen play in which Margaret O'Brien and William Powell will appear, just before leaving the West Coast. He will return to MGM after the war. Mrs. Townsend has done extensive publicity and magazine work, and has been a volunteer for the Fourth Fighter Command Radar Plotting Information Center for the past year and one-half.

PVT. GEOFFREY B. DUNN, '40, who completed the personnel psychology course in the A.S.T.P. at Ohio State University, is now in the headquarters squadron of Basic Training Center #1 at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. In a recent letter, he expressed his sentiments in the following fashion: "I trust you realize that many of us are looking forward longingly to that first postwar homecoming celebration. During my service in the Army I have met many Ohio men and all are planning to attend. I hope

we can have a homecoming with all the trimmings. You would be surprised to know what such future plans mean to a soldier."

DOROTHY E. GENTRY, '40, M.Ed. '43, has accepted a position in Washington, D. C., with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Her father is Dr. J. R. Gentry, associate professor of psychology at Ohio University.

FIRST LIEUT. HAMILTON C. LAING, '40 (see picture on page 14), Cleveland, has been cited by Lieut. Gen. Joseph C. Kenney for "meritorious achievement" while participating in well over a score



Susan C. Mahrer

of operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific. Lieutenant Laing flies a P-38 Lockheed Lightning fighter plane.

MRS. MARGERY FAY REESER CRAMER, '41, who has been a home service correspondent at the national headquarters of the American Red Cross in Washington, D. C., resumed work in the graduate school at Western Reserve University last month. In 1941-42, she was national president of Kappa Beta, a social-religious organization of the Christian Church. She is a sister of SUZANNA REESER, '38, dietitian at the Friends Work Camp in Indianapolis, Ind. Mrs. Cramer's husband, ROBERT E. CRAMER, '43, is in the Army Air Corps.

George W. Clark, associate professor of civil engineering, has received an exceedingly interesting letter from CAPT. ROBERT P. ZEIGLER, '41x, Strasburg, one of his former students, in which the Army man described some of his experiences in England. Captain Zeigler, who commands a cannon company in an infantry regiment, wrote, in part, as follows: "I was fortunate in being invited to the Duke of Windsor's home for dinner. It is near Princeton in the Dartmoor. From the outside the whole affair appears to be an old rundown stone house of large proportions. The interior is beautiful beyond all description, however, from both an historical and antique viewpoint. The furnishings were from the old Royal

Palace, prior to the construction of Buckingham Palace in 1786. . . The Dartmoor prison is also situated there, and the setting for Doyle's 'Hound of the Baskervilles' is in the same surrounding countryside. . . I met Lady Astor at a reception. . . The Channel is quite a cool spot to swim in. I hope and expect to view it from the French side before too long."

RALPH L. DALTON, '41, has accepted appointment as Boy Scout field executive for a four-county district in central West Virginia.

NELLE S. FOSTER, '42 (see picture), daughter of Dr. R. A. Foster, of the Ohio University faculty, and Mrs. Foster, was the winner in the three-state Hour of Charm radio auditions held in Cincinnati early this month. The auditions were a part of the national effort sponsored by the General Electric Hour of Charm to find the "Undiscovered Voice of America." The four-day tryouts in Cincinnati began with three hundred singers and continued through a series of eliminations until only Miss Foster remained, winner of the \$100 district prize and an opportunity to compete for the national award. Recordings were made of Miss Foster's selections and they will be heard some Sunday evening soon on a regular program of the Phil Spitalny All-Girl Orchestra and Choir. The orchestra ranks among the highest in popularity with America's radio listeners. Miss Foster is at present a music teacher in a junior high school near Cincinnati. The finalist in the voice contest will be awarded a contract with the choir calling for \$150 a week.

Mrs. Eugene C. Dubbs (DOROTHY REID '42) is a resident of Miami, Fla., where her husband, a boatswain's mate 1/c, in the U. S. Navy, is temporarily stationed. Petty Officer Dubbs participated in action at Pearl Harbor, the Coral Sea, and the invasions of North Africa and the Island of Attu. In mentioning the decision of her younger sister, Virginia, to matriculate at her alma mater, Mrs. Dubbs wrote: "I am glad Virginia has chosen to go to Ohio University, and I hope she may some day have all the precious and fine memories that I now have."

OLGA S. YARSHUK (formerly Yaroshuk), '42, is attending the Maxwell Graduate School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University, from which she expects to receive shortly the degree of Master of Science in Public Administration. After completing her graduate work she plans to join the Navy's WAVES.

STAFF SGT. DAVID C. FLANAGAN, '42x, Lancaster, whose North African activities were reported in the *Alumnus* last month, recently arrived in the U. S. on a hospital ship and is now at Stark General Hospital, Charleston, S. C. He is evidently not bedfast, for it is reported that "on the ocean trip he entertained the other patients with his violin music." He is a former concertmaster in the Ohio University Orchestra.

Sh! Don't breathe it to a soul, but SUSAN C. MAHRER, '43 (see picture) has a "past." Just as plain as anything, on the front page of the February 4 issue of the *Cleveland News* you can see a picture of Sue leaving the Warrensville Workhouse after having spent 24 hours with

its inmates, all women and girls from Cuyahoga county. And now lest you get the wrong impression of Miss Mahrer, let us tell you that she is working on the city desk of the *News* and submitted to a routine commitment to the workhouse in order to get "background" for a feature story for her paper. Her story is too long to reproduce in *The Alumnus*, but it is an interesting and well-written report of the daily lives of the inmates who unwittingly accepted her as an "habitual traffic violator." (Miss Mahrer does not drive.)

From trooping with a "swell bunch" in the cast of the popular operetta, "The



Nelle S. Foster

Student Prince," to trooping with boys in Uncle Sam's khaki, was the transition made early last month by DALE C. ENGLE, '43 (see picture on page 15). Dale, one of the Ohio University Theater's brightest lights in recent years, was on Broadway with "The Prince" and then participated in a road tour with the company. The show was in Buffalo, N. Y., at the end of last year. As soon as the curtain had been rung down on the performance New Year's Eve, the audience and cast joined in singing Auld Lang Syne. Then, as the theater filled again, the company started a midnight show which was followed the same day by a matinee and evening performance. From Buffalo, "The Prince" moved to the Boston Opera House where Dale appeared in the show for the 152nd time. On February 4 he reported to Fort Devens, Mass., and he is now at Camp Blanding, Fla. It is a good bet that he has already formed a chorus for the singing of those thrilling songs of Heidelberg.

HARRY A. HESS, Ph. M. 2/c, '43, spent a week's furlough early in March with his parents, Dr. John A. Hess, professor of German at Ohio University, and Mrs. Hess, after an absence from Athens of 27 months. For the last 22 months Pharmacist's Mate Hess has been on duty at Pearl Harbor. He has recently been assigned to the U. S. Naval Hospital at Santa Margarita Ranch, Oceanside, Calif.

« « MARRIAGES » »

JUANITA L. MCKITRICK, '42, 3-yr., Marietta, teacher, to FIRST LIEUT. JOHN O. SILVEY, '42, Oak Hill, Army Signal Corps (Drew Field, Fla.), Dec. 25, 1943.

Audra Buck, Austin, Texas, to FIRST LIEUT. CHARLES F. ROLLINS, JR., '43, Shelby, with an engineers battalion in England, Aug. 9, 1943.

DOLLY SCHULER, '41x, Athens, assistant clerk, Selective Service Board, to STAFF SGT. JOHN E. FAIRCHILD, '42, Cambridge, 69th Infantry Division (Camp Shelby, Miss.), Mar. 6, 1944. Best man: ENSIGN FREDERICK R. SCHULER, '43x, Naval Air Base, San Diego, Calif.

MARGARET L. KAIL, '43, The Plains, student dietitian, University Hospitals, Western Reserve University (Cleveland), to ENSIGN JAMES A. FROST, '42, Stewart, with Naval amphibious forces (Little Creek, Va.), Jan. 22, 1944. Upon graduation in June, Mrs. Frost will take a position at the University Hospitals. Father of the bride: V. O. KAIL, '27.

Gloria H. Staples, Butler, Pa., to LIEUT. PAUL B. KERR, II, '40, Hicksville, Anti-Aircraft Artillery (Camp Davis, N. C.), Oct. 15, 1943. At home: Near Camp Davis. Mother of the groom: MRS. BERENICE BARNES KERR, '11, widow of PAUL B. KERR, '10, Hicksville. Usher: DEAN B. COPELAND, '20, Butler, Pa.

Merle Juanita Van Oster, Elyria, nurse, Holmes Hospital (Cincinnati), to PVT. WILLIAM K. LEHMAN, '41, Dennison, senior medical student, University of Cincinnati, Nov. 30, 1943. At home: 242 Northern Ave., Apt. 4, Cincinnati.

Nancy Lee Hoffman, Chicago, to ENSIGN H. WARD BIRCH, JR., '37, Youngstown, Cruiser Division, U. S. Navy (South Pacific area), Dec. 22, 1943. Mrs. Birch will be at home in Chicago for the time being.

ANNE L. DAVIS, '42, Oak Hill, critic teacher, high school (Bowling Green), to Staff Sgt. James W. Love, Crooksville, U. S. Army, Mar. 7, 1944. Mrs. Love is continuing with her teaching.

HARRIET JEAN ALBERS, '43, Detroit, formerly of Cleveland, to Pvt. Carl F. Battenfeld, Jr., Detroit, U. S. Marine Corps (Memphis, Tenn.), Feb. 23, 1944. At home: 1803 Horbert Ave., Memphis. Pvt. Battenfeld was in the first unit to land at Guadalcanal, and was returned to the States after being wounded in action.

Charlotte M. Pepple, Dayton, to ROBERT A. HEIMSCH, '43, Dayton, chemist, Monsanto Chemical Co. (Dayton), Nov. 6, 1943. At home: 702 N. Main St., Apt. 1, Dayton 5.

Unknown to the editor at the time of publishing the picture of LIEUT. JANET E. CHARTERS, M.D.D., '41, Williamsfield, last month was the fact of Miss Charters' marriage, Dec. 10, 1943, to First Lieut. Arthur J. McDonald, Jr., Warren, Pa. Lieutenant McDonald (the bride) is a medical department dietitian at the station hospital at Camp Abbott, Bend, Ore. Lieutenant McDonald (the groom) is in the Medical Administrative Corps,

and is now serving overseas in an evacuation hospital.

ROSABELLE CLEMENTS, '31, Columbus, art supervisor (Bexley), to Frasier L. Babcock, Detroit, Mich., with Standards Dept., Packard Motor Aircraft Division, Feb. 28, 1943.

Sought, but unavailable at the time their wedding announcement was published in the January *Alumnus*, was the



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Clark

picture of THOMAS P. CLARK, '41, M.S. '43, Kimbolton, and Mrs. Clark (BETTY WOODWORTH, A.M. '43), Jamestown, N. Y. Too good to keep, the editor is trying to reproduce the picture in this issue even though the bride and groom have now been married a long, long time—since Dec. 26, 1943. The former is an art teacher in Shore High School, Euclid, while the latter is a research chemist with the National Advisory Council for Aeronautics in Cleveland.

PATRICIA H. WALSH, Falls Church, Va., Ohio University junior, to Cadet Henry H. Gatter, Wyncote, Pa., A.S.T.P., Ohio University, Mar. 11, 1944. The bride's sister: Mrs. David R. Weller (PHILLIPA WALSH, '43), Falls Church.

Lois S. Siegel, Erwin, Pa., to REV. JOHN B. SPIELMAN, '38, Marietta, minister, Divinity Lutheran Church, Toledo, June 14, 1943. At home: 3020 Tiffin Ave., Toledo 5.

DELORIS G. BENNER, '41, 3-yr., Bainbridge, teacher, to Pvt. Donald E. Gossler, Webster Groves, Mo., A.S.T.P. cadet (Ohio University), Mar. 4, 1944.

Jocelia Barfoot, University of Oklahoma graduate, to DAVID FERGUS, '43, Niles, Feb. 19, 1944. Both Mr. and Mrs. Fergus are chemists with the Wright Aeronautical Corporation in Cincinnati. At home: 1849 Section Rd., Roselawn, Cincinnati 16.

Dorothy Stelzer, Columbus, in the office of the State Treasury Department, to LIEUT. (J.G.) HARRY J. LANTZ, '39, McDonald, formerly of Columbus, dental interne, Franklin County Tuberculosis Hospital (Columbus), Feb. 3, 1944. At home: Columbus.

Era Coleman, New York City, to LIEUT. VICTOR K. MILLER, '35, Hillsboro, attending A.A.F. Technical Training Command School, Yale University (New Haven, Conn.), Feb. 5, 1944. At home: New Haven.

Helen Braklow, Troy, to CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER ORMSBY L. HARRY, '42, Dayton, base classification officer, Newark Army Air Field (Newark, N. J.), June, 1943. At home: 184 S. Richwood Road, South Orange, N. J.

ELLEN J. NEURAD, '42, New York City, kindergarten teacher, private school, to SEAMAN 2/C MILTON S. LICKER, '42, Cleveland Heights, Navy Seabees (Camp Peary, Va.), Aug. 16, 1943. Mrs. Licker is at home at 63 West 95th St., New York.

JANE L. SCHRADER, '43, Martins Ferry, teacher (New Straitsville), to CPL. JAMES W. MALE, '43, Cleveland, 87th Artillery Division, Ft. Jackson, S. C., Jan. 22, 1944. Mrs. Male will continue her teaching.

Phyllis Diles, Middleport, secretary to a junior dean, Ohio State University (Columbus), to PVT. CHARLES F. JIVIDEN, '43, Racine, medical student, Ohio State University, Mar. 18, 1944. At home: Columbus.

MARGARET L. SLAUGHTER, '33, Martins Ferry, teacher, junior high school, to Warrant Officer Albert B. Cross, U. S. Army, Sept. 25, 1943. Continuing her teaching, Mrs. Cross is at home at 723 Pearl St., Martins Ferry.

VIRGINIA G. FINEFROCK, A.M. '42, Mansfield, director, business girls department, Y.W.C.A. (Louisville, Ky.), to Chief Petty Officer Wallace C. Kirby, Cincinnati, U. S. Navy (Camp Peary, Va.), Aug. 14, 1943. Mrs. Kirby is living at 168 Vernon Ave., Louisville 6.

VIRGINIA G. CARSON, '41, Oberlin, physician's secretary (Louisville, Ky.), to Robert R. Dew, medical student, A.S.T.P., University of Louisville, June 26, 1943. At home: 867 S. Third St., Apt. 307, Louisville.

SARA METTA GLAZIER, '37x, Amesville, artist, Farson & Huff, advertising agency (Louisville, Ky.), to Loring W. Roush, Finchville, Ky., advertising executive (Louisville), Mar. 25, 1944.

« « « B I R T H S » » »

A daughter to LAWRENCE G. COLBERT, '31, and Mrs. Colbert (SARAH MEREDITH, '27, 2-yr.), 18 Maple St., Gloucester, Mar. 24, 1944. Mr. Colbert is engaged in the retail grocery business.

Ralph Gregory to SECOND LIEUT. RALPH H. MOHLER, '39, and Mrs. Mohler, June 2, 1943. Lieutenant Mohler is stationed in England with an ordnance company (tank maintenance).

Kerry Verina to CAPT. L. E. FOREMAN, '40, and Mrs. Foreman, Camp Berkeley, Texas, Feb. 27, 1944. Captain Foreman is attached to headquarters of the 23rd Tank Battalion.

Sandra Irene to Capt. Robert A. Garn, '40, and Mrs. Garn (GENE COMSTOCK, '43x), Westover Field, Mass., Jan. 27, 1944. Captain Garn, a former member of the R.O.T.C. staff at Ohio University, is now a B-24 pilot and is helping to train pilots and crews for the big Liberators. Mrs. Garn and the baby are at the former's home in Toledo, but they expect to join Captain Garn soon.

David Eugene to LIEUT. ERNEST E. GOSSETT, '44x, and Mrs. Gossett (IRENE LAUGHLIN, '43x), Jan. 23, 1943. Mrs. Gossett is at her home in Tippacanoe while her soldier husband is completing his combat training as a 4-engine bomber pilot at Biggs Field, Texas.

William Edward to Rev. and Mrs. William M. Horn (RUTH STAKEL, '33, A.M. '34), 133 Caroline St., Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 31, 1944. The baby's dad is a Lutheran minister.

Susan Ann to Mr. and Mrs. William C. Harvey (ADA HAUN, '20, 2-yr.), 2122 Overbrook Rd., Lakewood, Feb. 20, 1944. Susan's father is a boatswain's mate 1/c in the U. S. Coast Guard, stationed in Cleveland.

Paul Christopher to WILLIAM P. DUNLEA, '41, and Mrs. Dunlea (MARGARET MACGOOGAN, '41), 123 E. Judson Ave., Youngstown, Sept. 27, 1943. Mr. Dunlea, editor of the 1941 *Athena*, is associated with the sales department of the Youngstown Arc Engraving Co.

Robert Brian to Mr. and Mrs. Roger West (ANN LOOSE, '33), 2910 Church St., Pembroke, Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 12, 1943. The Wests are the parents of another child, Suzanne.

Susan Elizabeth to DR. HEBER W. JOHNSON, '35, and Mrs. Johnson, 221 S. 6th St., Ironton, Oct. 2, 1943. Doctor Johnson is an Ironton physician.

Susan Joanne to CHARLES F. EMISH, '36, and Mrs. Emish (HELEN DRAKE, '35), 27 E. Lucius Ave., Youngstown, Mar. 21, 1944. Mr. Emish is a metallurgist with the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co.

Michael J. to Pvt. and Mrs. J. M. Lowe (SHIRLEY KARCH, '40), Oct. 21, 1943. Private Lowe is now seeing duty in the European war theater, while Mrs. Lowe is at her home, 5117 Porter Rd., North Olmsted.

A daughter to SGT. LEONARD H. FARMER, JR., '42, and Mrs. Farmer (BETTY

JANE BATES, '42), Denver, Colo., Mar. 2, 1944. Sergeant Farmer is stationed at Ft. Logan.

Dennis to Dr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Batcheller, 411½ W. Washington St., Athens, Feb. 8, 1944. Doctor Batcheller is an instructor in dramatic art and speech at Ohio University.

Inarticulate to some perhaps, are the happy gurglings of Baby Patricia (see picture), but they are perfectly intelligible



Patricia Duncan Roach

to her parents, ENSIGN JAMES H. L. ROACH, '37, A.M. '41, and Mrs. PATRICIA PALMER ROACH, A.M. '41. Patricia was born Aug. 17, 1943, and is now with her mother in Washington, D. C. Her daddy, stationed in Norfolk, Va., is engaged in activities that cannot be disclosed under the censorship code. Her maternal grandfather is an Army colonel, retired, living in Texas.

Charles Dwight to DWIGHT HARVEY, '35x, and Mrs. Harvey (CLARE KRICK, '36, 2-yr.), 703 E. Cecil St., Springfield, Nov. 6, 1943. Mr. Harvey is engaged in clerical work at Patterson Field, Dayton. Uncle: PVT. DONALD E. HARVEY, '38x, overseas.

Charles Curtis to Petty Officer and Mrs. S. L. Kulikoff (ELIZABETH CHURCH, '41), 514 E. Florida Ave., Youngstown 5, Oct. 8, 1943. The baby's father is stationed in New York City. Uncle: HENRY C. CHURCH, '27, Jacksonville, Fla.; great uncle, the late CHARLES CURTIS "CURT" GODDARD, '17, Cleveland.

William Morton to HAROLD M. LEFAVOR, '32, Coshocton, and Mrs. LeFavor (KATHRYN CHOGUILL, '35x), July 5, 1943. Mr. LeFavor is a music supervisor in the Coshocton schools. There is a daughter, Kay, almost four. Uncle: CARROLL H. LEFAVOR, '32, Gallipolis.

Richard Lee to Sgt. and Mrs. Clyde F. Miller (SARA JANE DUER, '39), 943 Gilman St., Marietta, Dec. 8, 1943. Sergeant Miller, a radio technician, is with a field artillery unit in England.

Alice Suzanne to Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Agler (MARTHA BOLTON, '30, 2-yr.), 1427 W. First Ave., Columbus, Oct. 25, 1943. Mr. Agler is an attorney.

Robert Navarre to Warrant Officer and Mrs. R. N. McLoughlin (BETTY GUDENRAUF, '34), 305 S. Ohio Ave., Sidney, Oct. 15, 1943.

Cheryl Darlene to DR. DARRELL B. FAUST, '29, and Mrs. Faust, 14 Plymouth St., Plymouth, Oct. 7, 1943. Doctor Faust is a medic.

Karen Lewis to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Eisnagle (CHARLOTTE LEWIS, '39, 2-yr.), 227, Cross St., Jackson, Sept. 9, 1943.

James H., III, to JAMES H. OFFUTT, '32, and Mrs. Offutt, 444 Frithurst Dr., Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh 13, Pa., Aug. 17, 1943. Mr. Offutt is a factory auditor for the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.

Mary Constance to CORP. LAWRENCE G. HELWIG, '41x, and Mrs. Helwig (MAYDELLE HAMILTON, '40, 2-yr.), 2342 Neil Ave., Columbus, Oct. 7, 1943. Corporal Helwig is "somewhere" in England.

John Philip to HAROLD C. ROSS, '30, and Mrs. Ross (PHYLLIS PETTIT, '35), 110 Western Ave., Chillicothe, Jan. 31, 1944. Mr. Ross is cashier for the Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Co. in Chillicothe.

Donald P., Jr., to DONALD P. DAVIS, '42, and Mrs. Davis (BETTY ELLEN GARDNER, '44x), 409 N. Brandywine Ave., Schenectady, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1943. Pappy Davis, a varsity debater and president of the Class of 1942, is a test engineer with the General Electric Co., in Schenectady.

John Breece to Mr. and Mrs. John K. Mumford, Jr. (BETTY BREESE, '30), 3924 "W" St., N.W., Washington 7, D. C., June 17, 1943.

Cynthia Heaton to Mr. and Mrs. Don and Meyer (ELEANOR THOMAS, '42), 22849 Holmwood Rd., Shaker Hts., Sept. 20, 1943.

Katharine Harvey to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fansher (HELEN JANE HARVEY, '36), 60 Oxford Ave., Dayton 7, July 4, 1943.

Edwin to Mr. and Mrs. Everett Devore (LOIS MCCLEAD, '29) 338 "A" St., Sheridan Parkside, Tonawanda, N. Y., July 22, 1943. Grandmother and aunt, respectively: MRS. ZENIA LEFAVOR MCCLEAD, '97, Tonawanda, and RUTH MCCLEAD, '28, Ithaca, N. Y.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Norris (MARY SEENES, '37), 254 W. Columbus St., Nelsonville, Dec. 11, 1943. Mr. Norris is a mechanic.

A son to Seaman and Mrs. W. E. Siddle (ELIZABETH SHEPARD, '33), 172 Fayette St., Nelsonville, July 26, 1943. The baby's father in serving in Uncle Sam's Navy.

ENGAGEMENTS

BETTY LOU BROWN, '41, West Manchester, teacher (Dayton), to Petty Officer Jacques Barnhisser, U. S. Navy, San Francisco, Calif.

KATHRYN ANN BROWN, West Manchester, Ohio University senior, to Larry D. Turner, C.M. 3/c, West Manchester, U. S. Navy, on sea duty. Miss Brown is a sister of BETTY LOU BROWN, '41. (Editor's Note: As a result of a "make-up" error on the part of the printer, the announcement of Miss Kathryn Brown's engagement appeared in the February *Alumnus* in the "Marriages" column. Apologies are in order, and are hereby extended.)

ESTHER C. FREUND, '42, Lakewood, with Commercial Research Division, Republic Steel Corp. (Cleveland), to SGT. ALFRED J. KANDIK, '43x, Cleveland, with an engineer's maintenance company, now probably overseas.

Recently obtained is the picture of the late C. S. Coler, '83, whose death in Coshocton, early in January, was announced in the February *Alumnus*. Although at one time a business man, Mr. Coler taught school and lectured in North Carolina, New Jersey, and Ohio for more than fifty years. He was of that stalwart and forthright school of pedagogs known best in his day as "educators." Many, so it is reported, are the former students of Educator Coler who freely acknowledge the character-shaping influence of that lovable old gentleman.



C. S. Coler

MARJORIE A. HARVEY, '42, Athens, dietitian, Howard Hall, Ohio University, to PVT. HOWARD A. ESCHENBACHER, St. Paul, Minn., cadet, A.S.T.P., Ohio University.

Daphne L. Thobaben, Shaker Hts., to APPRENTICE SEAMAN DONALD R. DAY, '44x, Cleveland, Midshipmen's School, U. S. Naval Academy (Annapolis, Md.).

JEAN L. HERRON, Chillicothe, formerly of Athens, Ohio University junior, to MIDSHIPMAN JOHN W. STACK, '45x, Athens, student, University of Cincinnati Medical School. Midshipman Stack is the son of DR. LENORE SPRAGUE STACK, '18.

Jean Weeks, Derry, Pa., to ROBERT W. MAXWELL, '40, Cleveland, with the American Steel & Wire Co.

MIRIAM H. GARN, Mansfield, Ohio University senior, to PVT. WILLIAM G. McKeown, Cardwell, Mont., cadet, A.S.T.P., Ohio University.

Georgiana Austin, Ironton, teacher, to PVT. WILLIAM D. RUSSELL, '33, Aid, U. S. Army.

JOAN MCSAVANEY, '44x, R.F.D., London, teacher (Osborn), to ROGER C. SMITH, '42, R.F.D., Xenia, teacher (Osborn).

MARY V. BAKER, Middleport, Ohio University freshman, to LIEUT. GEORGE L. BEARHS, Pomeroy, B-24 pilot (Smyrna, Tenn.).

VELVA JANE BANKS, '42x, Youngstown, to FIRE Controlman 1/c John M. Kusnic, Youngstown, U. S. Navy (Washington, D. C.).

MARY E. WEIMER, Dayton, Ohio University junior, to PVT. George Simon, Los Angeles, Calif., former A.S.T.P. cadet at Ohio University, now at Camp Mackall, N. C.

JEAN I. IRWIN, '46x, Beverly Hills, Calif., formerly Lakewood, student, University of California, to APPRENTICE SEAMAN JOSEPH G. McMILLAN, '44x, Danville, Naval Training Unit, Muhlenburg College (Allentown, Pa.).

PEGGY RUTH LYMAN, '42x, Youngstown, secretary to city water commissioner, to SGT. JACK D. WAGMAN, with U. S. Fifth Army in Italy.

CAROL E. SCHULTE, '43, Cleveland, to LIEUT. Andrew E. Hartman, Cleveland, U. S. Army (Gulfport, Miss.).

Stosya V. Gosztyla, Cleveland, to GEORGE M. BENKO, '42, Perth Amboy, N. J., student, University of Cincinnati Medical College. Miss Gosztyla is a sister of ENSIGN MILTON GOSZTYLA, '43x.

WINIFRED J. CAMERON, Dayton, Ohio University senior, to PVT. Burdette L. Anderson, Holdrege, Nebr., cadet, A.S.T.P., Ohio University.

MARY BELLE EGBERT, '45x, Portsmouth, teacher, Grant School, to CORP. GEORGE H. HILLMAN, '44x, Glen Ridge, N. J., Officer's Candidate School (Ft. Knox, Ky.).

MARY JANE WALKER, '46x, Nelsonville, student, Office Training School (Columbus), to Kenneth Weaver, Kimberly.

Catherine O'Neil, Portsmouth, teacher, to LIEUT. GEORGE CLARK, '43x, Portsmouth, Army Air Corps.

IRENE B. DAWLEY, Chagrin Falls, Ohio University sophomore, to WILLIAM D. HANDEL, '45x, Rocky River.

DEATHS

DR. BYRON DANFORD

Dr. Byron Danford, '21, age 45, Athens physician, died Mar. 1, 1944, at Sheltering Arms Hospital from injuries suffered in an automobile collision.

A graduate of the University of Cincinnati Medical School, Dr. Danford was



Dr. Byron Danford

one of the city's leading physicians. He began his medical practice in Athens with his father, the late Dr. V. G. Danford, in 1925, and had continued his practice alone since the death of the latter fourteen years ago.

The younger doctor was a veteran of World War I, and was a member of a number of civic and fraternal organizations in Athens.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Pauline Hartley Danford, his survivors include a stepson, Flight Officer Cullen W. Irish, II, '38x, First Troop Carrier Command (Lubbock, Tex.), his mother, and five sisters. The sisters are: Mrs. Wheeler Dew (Audra Danford, '23x), and Barbara Danford, '46, Athens; Mrs. Howard Knox (Pauline Danford, '26x), Cleveland; Mrs. B. F. Beckler, Jr. (Marian Danford, '37x), Kingman, Ariz.; and Mrs. Richard P. Banks (Suzanne Danford, '42x), Manchester, Tenn. Another sister, Mrs. William S. Beckwith (Verna Danford, '29), died in 1934.

JESSE CHARLES HALL

J. C. Hall, '25, age 57, Niles, died in a Youngstown hospital, Feb. 17, 1944, following a heart attack. He had been a teacher in chemistry in McKinley High School at Niles for the past fifteen years.

Upon completing work for his degree at Ohio University, Mr. Hall took post graduate work at Ohio State University. This was followed by a position as principal of the high school in Nelsonville.

A native of Morgan County, he married Miss Gladys Peugh, sister of Earl K. Peugh, '14, 2-yr., Gloucester, in 1927. Mrs. Hall survives her husband.

